

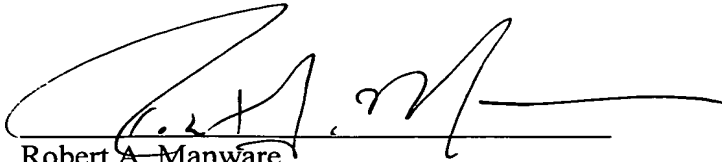
REMARKS

At the time the office action was mailed, claims 1-19 were under consideration. The Examiner allowed claims 1-10. Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for allowance of claims 1-10. The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 11-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 for statutory type double patenting. Specifically, the Examiner cited copending application No. 10/652,939 which is a divisional of the present application. Applicants respectfully traverse this assertion and submit that claims 11-19 are canceled in the copending divisional application. As indicated by the request for a continuing application filed on August 29, 2003 and attached hereto as appendix "A", the divisional application (U.S. serial No. 10/652,939) was filed with the 70 claims which were filed with the parent application (i.e., the present application) and claims 1-49 were canceled, as indicated on page 2 of the request. Accordingly, claims 11-19 on which the present double patenting rejection is based, were previously canceled at the time of filing of the divisional application. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the double patenting rejection is moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection and allowance of claims 11-19.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for allowance of claims 1-10. In view of the remarks set forth above, Applicants respectfully request allowance of claims 11-19, as well. If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview will help speed this application toward issuance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robert A. Manware', written over a horizontal line.

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